



IFW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Satoru SAIGO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/666,178

GAU: 2681

FILED: September 22, 2003

EXAMINER:

FOR: RELAY DEVICE, INFORMATION TRANSMISSION DEVICE, AND INFORMATION TRANSMISSION METHOD

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached European Search Report listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

- Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.



Bradley D. Lytle

Registration No. 40,073

Joseph A. Scafetta, Jr.
Registration No. 26,803

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 05/03)



SHEET OF

Form PTO 1449 (Modified)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 242953US90	SERIAL NO. 10/666,178		
LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT		APPLICANT Satoru SAIGO, et al.					
		FILING DATE September 22, 2003		GROUP 2681			
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
AA		6,058,303	05/02/2000	B. A. V. ÅSTRÖM, et al.			
AB		2002/0061021 A1	05/23/2002	D. M. DILLON			
AC							
AD							
AE							
AF							
AG							
AH							
AI							
AJ							
AK							
AL							
AM							
AN							
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION YES	NO	
AO		WO 01/76280	10/11/2001	WIPO			
AP		1 102 443	05/23/2001	EUROPE			
AQ		WO 02/067544	08/29/2002	WIPO			
AR							
AS							
AT							
AU							
AV							
OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)							
	AW						
	AX						
	AY						
	AZ				<input type="checkbox"/> Additional References sheet(s) attached		
Examiner				Date Considered			
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>							